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Applicant: JOHN C. SMITH

Title: DIAGNOSTIC METHOD

The prior application is assigned of record to AstraZeneca AB, a Swedish corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on February 8, 2001, at 011540/0701.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	Pages
Specification	31
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## **Enclosures:**

-- Preliminary Amendment (8 pages); copy of Petition for Extension of Time as filed in parent application serial no. 09/778,900 (1 page); and acknowledgement Postcard.

This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/778,900, filed February 8, 2001, which claims priority to United Kingdom application number 0004232.5, filed February 24, 2000. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorpor-ated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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